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The Apportionment—President of the Senate.

From our Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, May 25, 1842.

After taking a vote decisive of their determination to increase the Ratio of Representation in the Apportionment Bill, to something like 70,000, the Senate adjourned yesterday to Monday next. It is believed the reconsideration of the vote of Friday will not materially change its import, yet it is possible the blank may be filled with a number as low as 58 or 60,000. The question will be settled early in the week. The representation of fractions, and the districting of the several States will, however, call forth much discussion; and the bill may not be returned to the House till Saturday.

The Cabinet held a special meeting yesterday upon the subject (as it is said) of another communication from the Governor of Rhode Island. The nature of the mission has not transpired. But I leave this moment learned from undoubted authority, that Dorr was demanded of the Governor of Massachusetts by Gov. King, and he was about to be delivered up, when he fled to Connecticut, where he is engaged in active correspondence with the anarchists of New York and Boston, seeking arms and men to renew the tumult in Rhode Island. The sympathizers of the Park have responded to the call of the *sacré dissident* Governor, and measures are in progress to transport a foreign force to Providence without delay. A demand has been made upon the Governor of Connecticut for Dorr, but it is not yet known whether this demand has been complied with.

I am rejoiced to say that Mr. Southard is recovering, and there are strong hopes that his sojourn at the Virginia Springs will entirely restore him. If his illness should continue, however, and thereby prevent an early resumption of his duties in the Senate, he will resign his post as presiding officer without delay. In that event the Senate will be not a little perplexed in selecting a successor.

Among the names most favorably considered for this important trust, those of Mr. KIRK of Ala., TALLMADGE of N. Y., SMITH of Ind., GRAHAM of N. C., and WHITE of Ind., are, at this time, conspicuous. There is not one of them but would discharge its duties with signal fidelity. But in view of the relative position of parties in the body, and of the propriety of a just geographical division of the Executive dignity, I am decidedly in favor of a selection from the Northern States. And where, let me ask, is there a gentleman from any section of the Union who has stronger claims to the distinction than N. P. TALLMADGE? Without advertising to the great moral and physical power of the State he represents, his exalted private worth, and unpretending, yet dignified deportment, should specially commend him to the highest consideration of his fellow Senators. From the commencement of his career at the City of Washington, I believe he has never solicited office for himself; but in the broad benevolence of his heart, has sought and obtained many situations for others. This invariable and assiduous attention to his Senatorial duties, and his unremitting efforts for the public service, have distinguished him as one of the most disinterested, active and efficient Legislators ever engaged in our National affairs.

His opposition to the principles and measures of the late Administration, although it caused him to rend the bonds of private and party friendship, was open, manly and vehement. Notwithstanding, he is personally in unbroken habits of friendship with all descriptions of men of talent and accomplishment. There is a happy suavity in the character and address of some men, which enables them to embark in political opposition without offending, or interrupting the kindly relations of personal intercourse. This trait peculiarly attaches to Mr. Tallmadge, and eminently qualifies him to provide over the Senate.

Yours, &c., LEO.

Reciprocity in Commerce.

Correspondence of the Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, May 25.

The SENATE was not in session to-day.

In the HOUSE, MR. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Commerce, reported bills to establish reciprocity in the Commercial relations of the United States with certain British Colonial ports; to alter the mode of admeasuring the tonnage of ships and other vessels; and a joint resolution requiring the President at such time as he deems advisable, to give the proper notice of the termination of such treaties with European powers as have established the privilege of importing on equal terms other articles than the produce of the countries in whose vessels the importations are made. An able and elaborate report of Mr. Kennedy on the subject accompanies these bills. A motion to print five thousand extra copies lies over.

The Supplementary Report from the Secretary of the Treasury on the subject of the Tariff, communicating the information from that Department on the subject, was received, referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ten thousand extra copies ordered printed. A report was also received in answer to the resolution inquiring as to the amount of money received by Gov. Doty for the Territory of Wisconsin, the manner of its expenditure, &c. Also, a statement of the amount of exports of tobacco, compiled from the official tables, 5,000 extra copies of which were ordered printed.

Private bills were debated during the day. Of the great number reported by the committee yesterday, but two were passed.

The SPEAKER had before the House a letter from Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, the esteemed and able representative from Boston, resigning, on account of ill health of himself and family, his seat in Congress.

AKRON.

A Riot in New-Orleans.

From the N. O. Commercial Bulletin, May 21.

Yesterday the peace of our city was disturbed by a popular communion, which at one time threatened serious consequences. Apprehensions were entertained for a while lest the disgraceful scenes recently enacted at Cincinnati were about to be repeated here. The origin of the mob was the sudden and unexpected depreciation of Municipal notes, arising from the resumption of specie payments. For some time past this species of paper had been regarded as the safest that was in circulation, and was taken in preference to bank bills. A great deal of it had been hoarded as a reserve deposit by small dealers and persons of limited means. Hence, when the speculators fell in value, the depreciation was felt by every inhabitant of the city more or less, and heavy losses fell upon the poorer classes. A majority of the latter had no other kind of money, and when the Municipal bills were refused in the market, they were stripped of the means of buying their bread, and the necessities of life. From such a state of things, a very strong excitement very naturally arose. The popular discontent was first manifested yesterday morning at about ten o'clock, by the assemblage of a crowd at the Mayor's office, to demand the redemption of the Municipal notes. His honor made a speech to the multitude, exhorting and conciliatory, well calculated to allay the prevailing excitement. But neither the promises or threats of that functionary were

of avail to quiet the mob, which had swelled to near two thousand men, commenced an assault on the brokers' offices on Canal and Commerce street. Those offices were entered forcibly and robbed of most of their contents, consisting of gold and silver, coin and bank notes. The amount thus robbed and stolen is variously estimated at from ten to twenty thousand dollars. Before the work of destruction had gone far, the police of the 2d Municipality promptly interfered, and by arresting about a dozen of the depredators, intimidated and dispersed the rest. The culprits whom the police had secured, were safely lodged in jail under a strong guard of armed citizens, as an attempt to rescue them was expected. About an hour afterwards, the mob rallied and again moved up Chartres street, with the avowed purpose of releasing the prisoners. But on reaching Canal street they were met by a few resolute men, who very soon put them to flight. Shortly afterwards, several military companies appeared on the ground. Thus ended the abortive effort to subject our city to mob-law—an outrage which will be visited with signal vengeance on the heads of the offenders. Much to the credit of our community, it can be said, that no persons of responsibility were found in the array. The depredators were mostly hucksters and small dealers, and may well be presumed to be not well versed in our laws. It is gratifying to hear testimony to the orderly conduct of our citizens generally and the determination evinced at every hazard, to put down the mob and maintain the law and the public tranquillity.

MONEY MARKET.

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